

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re PATENT application of	)	
Tohru NATSUME et al.	)	
Application No. 10/581,969	)	Confirmation No. 8384
Filed: June 7, 2006	)	Group Art Unit: 1656
For: NOVEL INTERACTION BETWEEN	)	Examiner: Maryam Monshipouri
PROTEINS, AND THERAPEUTIC AGENT	)	
FOR DISUSE MUSCULAR ATROPHY OR	)	
METHOD ASSOCIATED WITH DISUSE	)	
MUSCULAR ATROPHY TAKING	)	
ADVANTAGE OF NOVEL INTERACTION	)	

**THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Sir:

Further in response to the restriction requirement mailed on May 8, 2009, applicant preliminarily amends the claims of this case as follows: